

Violet Township Board of Trustees

December 3, 2014

Regular Meeting

Mr. Myers called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Mr. Sauer called the role: Mr. Myers and Mr. Dunlap were present. Others present were: Township Engineer, Greg Butcher, Director of Operations, John Eisel, and Fire Chief Mike Little.

On behalf of the Violet Township Board of Trustees Mr. Myers recognized Isabella, Madelyn and Joselyn Crosby, students from Toll Gate Elementary who lead the Pledge of Allegiance and followed by a moment of silence honoring those who protect us around the world. The girls were presented with 'Certificates of Recognition' and got their pictures taken with the two Trustees.

Mr. Dunlap moved to approve, without public reading as submitted by the Fiscal Officer, the minutes of the Regular Trustee meeting of November 19, 2014. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Motion carries 2-0.

Mr. Dunlap moved to approve without public reading as submitted by the Fiscal Officer, the minutes of the Public Hearing of 11-19-2014 (Winding Creek Section 5 Part 1 – Reserve B). Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Motion carries 2-0.

Recognition of Guests:

Chad Lucht of Fairfield Soil & Water was present to give a presentation/update on the NPDES (National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System) permit that the Township is Co-Permittee with the County. Chad recently attended a Roundtable discussion with the EPA to go over what they are expecting communities to do as permit holders as it relates to the permits that have been issued. The 6 control measures are as follows:

- #1 – Public Education and Outreach
- #2 – Public Involvement/Participation
- #3 – Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDDE)
- #4 – Construction Site Runoff Control
- #5 – Post Construction Storm Water Management
- #6 – Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping

EPA is expecting to do a Township audit the first quarter of 2015.

Mr. Lucht said the main thing we need to work with is the IDDE policy and the agreements associated with that policy. Mr. Lucht, Mr. Butcher and Mr. Eisel are working with Greg and John. Mr. Lucht was asked to get us some 'model' policies to us in order for us to do a resolution under Home Rule.

Mr. Butcher added that the cost of performing some of these tasks suggested that as we finalize our budget that there might have to be some provision to take care of the provision of this.

Also, there is an appeal pending for the northeast Ohio sewer district. The results would allow us to consider utilizing some statutes that townships have that allow us to charge a fee to some of these activities. It is still pending but it prevails it would support us and other local governments to consider.

Mr. Lucht said we may have some deficiencies and there will probably be corrective measures. Our permit has not been evaluated since 2003 and the EPA will probably need to get this done.

Public Comment:

Chris Schweitzer, Council President for the City of Pickerington was present. Mr. Schweitzer resides at 119 Lone Elk Court, Pickerington, Ohio 43147. Mr. Schweitzer extended an invitation to the Trustees to be a part of Pickerington's Bicentennial event and asked the Trustees to consider sponsoring the event. Mr. Schweitzer welcomed

anyone wanting to be a part of the Bicentennial planning committee and invited the Trustees to the Christmas Tree Lighting on Friday 12-5 at 7:30 p.m. in the Olde Village.

County Authorities:

None

Departmental Reports:

Fire Chief: Mike Little

Chief Little reported Santa will be at Station 2 on Saturday, 12/6/14 from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. for township staff and their families.

A meeting has been scheduled with KZF for December 16th at 9:00 a.m. to review the program and discuss some initial thoughts on the sites. KZF would also like to tour our fire stations.

The Toy Drive is underway. On December 13th the Girl Scouts will have their annual toy drive-thru event at Station 592 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

We submitted our AFG Grant today for SCBA's. Chief Paxton has been diligently working on this.

Chief Little thanked the Trustees and Fiscal Officer for attending and presenting gifts at Retired Chief Eisel's party.

Chief Little had one resolution for consideration for Volunteer Firefighter Dependent Fund. The board members to be appointed this year are Mr. Myers, Mr. Dunlap, Chief Little, Jason Smith and our area citizens. **Mr. Myers made a motion to adopt Resolution 2014-1203-01 – Volunteer Firefighter Dependent Fund. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion carried 2-0.**

Township Engineer: Greg Butcher

Mr. Butcher reported we have received several 'quality' employment applications for the position created by Bruce Miller's retirement and they are being reviewed.

There will be an ODOT Project Audit next Wednesday for the 'federally funded' Safe Routes to School Project. This is a project audit performed of a 'Local Project Agency', of which we are certified.

Snow fence has been installed along the west side of Ault Road in 2 locations, at the south and west end.

The preliminary budget has been presented to the Fiscal Officer.

Mingo Estates Infrastructure Improvements Phase 2 bid package is being worked on and will go out this month.

As discussed at the last Trustee meeting, a resolution to enter into contract with ADR and Associates for engineering surveying and design services related to a new parking lot is being presented for consideration.

A resolution to accept Bruce Miller's resignation was presented for consideration.

Mr. Butcher added the Municipal Income Tax Uniformity Bill (House Bill 5) passed the Senate today, will go back to the House for concurrence and then on to the Governor's office. This will affect the City of Pickerington more so than us but there should be quite a bit of dialog from municipal agencies relative to this.

Mr. Dunlap asked about the structures at Busey Park. Mr. Myers said they should be installed Tuesday, December 9th. Mr. Dunlap added we need to get an address established for this park.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2014-1203-03 – Authorize Hiring of ADR & Associates, Ltd. To Provide Surveying and Engineering Services for the Pickerington Senior Center. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Motion carries 2-0.

Mr. Myers made a motion with regrets, to adopt Resolution 2014-1203-04 - Bruce Miller Retirement. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Discussion: Mr. Dunlap said unfortunately, Bruce fell under the detrimental effect that came out of OPERS with dates and time in, which affected many people in the State. He added what an asset Bruce has been and that he will be hard to replace. **Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion carries 2-0.**

Director of Operations: John Eisel

Mr. Eisel reported that the advertisement for the Road Department position has been posted and applications are being accepted to replace Bruce Miller.

Mr. Eisel will meet with the GIS Department to acquire maps for planning of the Violet Festival as well as maps for use in the Township office.

As Mr. Eisel reported at the last Trustee meeting, the Doculex program will no longer be supported. We had a second meeting with a second vendor for solutions. We have another meeting next week for a demo for a comparable program.

Mr. Eisel reported according to the Assistant Superintendent of PLSD we will have students at every Trustee meeting to lead us in the Pledge except for all upcoming meetings except one.

Mr. Eisel received our report from the Fairfield County Sheriff's office regarding our notification from the Ohio Department of Liquor Control for any permit renewal objections. The objections have to be postmarked no later than January 2, 2014. There are no major objections.

The AED and CPR training for Road and Admin employees have been completed. We have several small equipment needs that have been identified and ordered. Michael Proctor did an outstanding job.

We are working with the Road and Fire Department to insure that we have radio communications between Fire Department and Road vehicles.

The Storage One Storm Water Management Agreement has all the required reviews and the agreement has been delivered to Storage One. Mr. Eisel has not heard back from them regarding closing.

We are working on developing ID cards for Road and Admin personnel that meet the FEMA requirements. The County EMA has agreed to produce them for us.

Mr. Eisel will be attending the 2014 Economic Development Summit with Ms. Sarko.

Pickerington Area Chamber of Commerce is asking us if we would again consider a Platinum Sponsorship for the PACC for 2015. The cost is \$1200 for the year.

Mr. Eisel will attend the Fairfield 33 Alliance annual meeting on December 10th at 8:00 a.m.

Mr. Eisel received word that Lenny Lewis, our Chief Building Official is merging his current business (Ohio Building Code Consultants) in with another business. Mr. Lewis will still be our Chief Building Inspector and our Electrical Inspectors would remain the same people but merging the two entities together would keep insurance costs down. Mr. Eisel will have a new resolution for consideration at the next Trustee meeting with the new company information.

Mr. Eisel reminded all that the Olde Village Tree Lighting is this Friday, December 5th. He commended firefighter/paramedic Eric Taft who has 'spearheaded' the entire Plaza Lights and made it happen.

Mr. Eisel asked if the Trustees had thought about establishing a date for a Special Meeting before the end of the year.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2014-1203-02 – Continuance of Co-Permittee with Fairfield County for NPSES Phase 2 Permitting. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Motion carries 2-0.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to renew our platinum membership for the Pickerington Chamber of Commerce for \$1200. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Motion 2014-1203-A carries 2-0.

Mr. Dunlap read a letter from Gary Weltlich stating he would like to fill the remainder of his term as a Violet Township Trustee. Mr. Dunlap went on to say that Mr. Weltlich has some invaluable experience with the bond levies and the citizens of this community did elect him as their Trustee. **Mr. Dunlap made a motion to reappoint Gary Weltlich to fill the unfinished term of Violet Township Trustee effective December 15, 2014. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Motion 2014-1203-B carries 2-0.**

Fiscal Officer:

Mr. Sauer reported he met with Chief Little as he asked for some archive data where we want to clear up some issues to account for monies that have been transferred into our Wage Stabilization Fund. Mr. Sauer is working with UAN on this and is awaiting their response.

Mr. Sauer, Mr. Eisel, Chief Little and Ms. Tremblay will be traveling to New York to the Bond Rating on March 19 through March 21. There will be five meetings prior to prepare us for this meeting.

Mr. Sauer has received the budgets from Mr. Butcher and Mr. Eisel. Revenues are presenting challenges.

Mr. Sauer asked for approval to submit a check for \$153.00 from the Township to the OTA Banquet. **Mr. Dunlap made a motion to allow the Fiscal Officer to submit a check for \$153.00 to the Ohio Township Association for the Annual Banquet meeting. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Motion 2014-1203-C passes 2-0.**

Mr. Sauer reported Rockmill will be attending our December 17 Trustee meeting with a short presentation.

Trustee Reports:

None

Trustees out of Office Meetings Where More than one (1) Trustee present

12/5/14 – Olde Pickerington Village Tree Lighting at 5 p.m.

12/14/14 – Annual County OTA Banquet at Liberty Center at 6 p.m.

12/19/14 – Annual Employee Recognition Luncheon at noon at Station 592

Old Business

None

Tabled Business

None

New Business

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Violet Township Board of Trustees will be Wednesday, December 17, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. at the Violet Township Administrative offices.

Pay Bills

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to pay the bills. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Discussion: Mr. Dunlap asked about the Office Mart bill. Mr. Eisel explained this was for office furniture we replaced that was budgeted for this year. **Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Motion carries 2-0.**

Adjournment

Mr. Myers moved to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:41 p.m. Mr. Dunlap seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion carries 2-0. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brian Sauer, Fiscal Officer

Approved by:

Terry J. Dunlap, Sr., Trustee

Harry W. Myers, Jr., Trustee

Joniann Goldberg, Administrative
Assistant

Date: _____